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**PETITION AND FEE FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.17, 1.136(a) AND 35 USC 41(a)8**

Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by three (3) month(s). Credit card payment in the amount of \$1,110.00 is submitted via EFS-WEB for the petition fee in accordance with 37 CFR 1.17 computed as:

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Respectfully submitted,

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